

Minutes of the BAYFIELD COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Members Present: Jim Crandall, Larry Fickbohm, Marty Milanowski, Jeremy Oswald and Steve Sandstrom

Others Present: Bob Anderson, Highway Commissioner, Cheri Deragon, Office Manager/Accountant, Cheryl Schmidt, Vern Schmidt, Jim Bender, Julie Bender, Jeanne Hultman, Sue Dahlgren, Dalt Collins, Kristina Sorensen, Carrie Winningham, Joy Falencik, Jule Wilcox, Nancy Reijo, Dawn Fiebrink and David Fiebrink

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Jim Crandall

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2022.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Milanowski / Fickbohm and carried to approve the minutes of July 6, 2022.

Audit vouchers: Vouchers were audited. A motion by Fickbohm / Milanowski and carried to approve the vouchers as presented totaling \$679,951.77.

Public Comment:

Jim Bender, Trails North ATV Club spoke about opening the section on CTH A from Summit Street in Iron River to Kolling Road stating no issues with safety. Dalton Collins spoke and would like a motion to open up all county roads to ATV's for ease of signage and also feels it's not a safety concern. Nancy Reijo said all county roads are open in Douglas County. Carrie Winningham said Iron River along with the ATV Club is in support of opening all county roads. Bob Anderson said Bayfield County Highway Department received an email opposing the opening of all county roads.

ATV Routes:

Motion by Milanowski / Fickbohm and carried to send to the County Board to open up CTH A from Summit Street in Iron River to Kolling Road to ATV's.

Motion by Milanowski / Sandstrom and carried, pending receiving minutes from the Town of Mason, to send to the County Board to open CTH E from Ino to the Village of Mason to ATV's.

Discussion on opening all county highways to ATV's. Committee would like to discuss with the Sheriff's Department and the Forestry Department to get their comments before making a decision.

Bridge Aid Requests:

Discussion on nine Bridge Aid requests for culverts.

2023 Proposed Budget:

Commissioner is asking for an increase in the 2023 budget due to substantial increases especially in fuel, parts, equipment, and construction. He would also like to employ three part time patrolmen during the summer to help with mowing and other jobs.

Commissioner Reports:

- A. CTH J and CTH I are complete except CTH I needs to be shouldered.
- B. USH 63 CTH E East to USH 2 is complete.
- C. USH 63 Drummond to CTH E East working on replacing culverts. Gravel will be added to smooth low spots in Bibon swamp. Project completion should be last week in October.
- D. Delta Landfill Project work continues and should be complete in September/October.

Committee Input:

A. Discussion on living snow fences.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Bob Anderson, Highway Commissioner Bayfield County Highway Department

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